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Salisbury Tree Board to Host “Trees of Salisbury” Seminar *Event to Focus on Growth and Urbanization Topics*

Salisbury, NC_October 20, 2008 – The Salisbury Tree Board will host a complimentary seminar entitled “Trees of Salisbury” on Tuesday, October 28, at Salisbury City Hall, 217 S. Main Street. The event, to be held in council chambers, is offered at no charge to attendees and will commence at approximately 8:30 am with registration, meet and greet time, and morning refreshments. Seminar speakers will follow up by focusing on the growth and urbanization of small communities and the resulting impact which these changes offer to trees and our natural environment. The session will offer break-time with complimentary refreshments by Cheerwine Bottlers; the seminar is scheduled to conclude around noon.

Speakers include Leslie Moorman of the North Carolina Division of Forest Resources, Urban and Community Forestry Program; Kathryn Clifton, Geographic Information Systems Coordinator for the City of Salisbury; and Rodney Kreiser, County Ranger for the North Carolina Division of Forestry Resources.

Mayor Susan Kluttz, speaking on behalf of the Salisbury City Council shares, “Salisbury is truly a livable and environmentally friendly community; Salisbury places a strong emphasis on protecting the environment and preserving our natural resources. Trees not only enhance property value and beautify our City, but they also offer a safe haven for our wildlife. By promoting the importance of trees to our youth, we share the importance of environmental awareness with our leaders of tomorrow.”

The City of Salisbury was named a Tree City USA community in April of this year by the Arbor Day Foundation. The announcement marked the city’s twenty-second year to be named a recipient of this national recognition which acknowledges and honors a community’s longstanding commitment to forestry.

Seminar attendees are encouraged to park in the paved lot area behind City Hall by utilizing the rear entrance off of South Lee Street. For more information regarding the “Trees of Salisbury” informational seminar, please contact City of Salisbury Landscape Division Manager Mark Martin at 704-638-5260. The City of Salisbury is an equal employment opportunity employer with over 180 different job classifications and 400 full time positions. For more information regarding the City, its services or career opportunities, please visit the City of Salisbury on the World Wide Web at www.salisburync.gov.

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